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SUBJ: CODEL YATRON

REF.: (A) RIO DE JANEIRO 3382; (B) STATE 172169

1. AS REQUESTED STATE REFTEL, THERE FOLLOW SUGGESTIONS
FOR PROGRAM CODEL YATRON IN RIO DE JANEIRO.

2. SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

1115 - ARRIVAL; PROCEED BY LEASED AIR-CONDITIONED BUS
FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL. PERSONAL LUNCH
ARRANGEMENTS AT ONE OF HOTEL FACILITIES.
(INTERCONTINENTAL ON BEACH BEYOND OUTER FRINGE OF CITY PROPER.
IF CODEL PREFERS MORE CENTRAL LOCATION, CONGEN WILL ATTEMPT
BOOK ROOMS AT NON-US OWNED LUXURY HOTEL IN COPACABANA.)
AFTERNOON: FREE FOR REST, INDIVIDUAL SHOPPING AND SIGHTSEEING.
EVENING: POSSIBLE COUNCIL GENERAL RECEPTION (SEE PARA 4 BELOW).
CODEL MAY WISH TO ATTEND TYPICAL BRAZILIAN MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT
OFFERED AT LOCAL HOTELS OR RESTAURANTS. COST PER COUPLE
VARIES BETWEEN \$25-75 DEPENDING ON WHETHER MEALS TAKEN,
REFRESHMENTS, ETC. HOTEL NACIONAL SHOWS AT 21:30 AND 00:30,
AND LAS BRASAS AT 22:00.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

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1000 - BUS TOUR OF RIO DE JANEIRO AND ENVIRONS.
1300 - DUTCH LUNCH. RETURN TO HOTEL.
1530 - DEPART HOTEL FOR MARACANA STADIUM TO ATTEND A
FOOTBALL (SOCCER) MATCH BETWEEN TWO LEADING BRAZILIAN
CLUBS. NORMALLY SUCH AN EVENT MAY ATTRACT UP TO 100-125,000
PERSONS AT BRAZIL'S AND WORLD'S LARGEST FOOTBALL STADIUM.
CROWD PARTICIPATION IS INTENSE AND CONGEN COMMENDS ATTENDANCE

TO THOSE MEMBERS OF CODEL WITH AN INTEREST IN SPORTS OR IN A COLORFUL MANIFESTATION OF BRAZILIAN FOOTBALL ENTHUSIASM. CONGEN WILL NEEDEARLY ESTIMATE OF NUMBER INTERESTED IN ATTENDING GAME IN ORDER TO OBTAIN TICKETS.

2000 - RETURN TO HOTEL.

THOSE MEMBERS OF CODEL NOT ELECTING TO ATTEND FOOTBALL GAME WOULD HAVE AFTERNOON FREE FOR REST, BEACHES OR OTHER PERSONAL INTERESTS. SOME MEMBERS MAY BE INTERESTED IN VISITING "HIPPIE FAIR" WHERE HANDICRAFTS, ART WORKS ARE SOLD IN OUTDOOR STALLS. AN ALTERNATIVE IS ALL-DAY CHARTERED BUS TOUR TO NEARBY MOUNTAIN RESORT AND FORMER SUMMER RESIDENCE OF BRAZILIAN EMPEROR, PETROPOLIS. DUTCH LUNCH WOULD BE ARRANGED AT PETROPOLIS RESTAURANT WITH GROUP RETURNING LATE AFTERNOON TO RIO. PLEASE ADVISE. EVENING FREE OR CONSUL GENERAL RECEPTION (ALTERNATIVE TO SATURDAY NIGHT IF NO FOOTBALL GAME).

MONDAY,AUGUST 22

0645 - DEPART HOTEL FOR AIRPORT.

0800 - DEPART RIO FOR BRASILIA.

3. CONGEN RECOMMENDS THAT IT BE AUTHORIZED TO LEASE AN AIR-CONDITIONED BUS FOR GROUP TRAVEL IF CODEL HAS FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE. COSTS ARE APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS:
TRANSFER FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL AND VICE VERSA: \$106;
HALF-DAY USE: \$133;
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FULL DAY EXCURSION TO PETROPOLIS: \$212.

THESE PRICES ARE FOR 38-SEAT AIR-CONDITIONED BUS. INDIVIDUAL CHAUFFERED CARS CAN BE RENTED FOR \$75 DAILY. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. AS PREVIOUSLY INDICATED, CONGEN RESOURCES WILL BE STRAINED BECAUSE CODEL HOLLINGS (STATE 166864) WILL ALSO BE IN RIO AUGUST 19-21, AND CODEL WOLFF WILL BE HERE AUGUST 22-24. DEPARTMENT WAS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE RE PRIORITIES FOR RECEPTION IN RIO DE JANEIRO (SEE BRASILIA 6010). RECEPTION EITHER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY WOULD DRAW VERY LIMITED BRAZILIAN PARTICIPATION AT BEST. DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED RE REPRESENTATIONAL FUNCTION AND WHETHER CODEL HAS FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THAT PURPOSE.

5. WIVES WOULD PRESUMABLY ACCOMPANY CODEL ON EVENTS AND CONSEQUENTLY NO SPECIAL PROGRAM IS BEING SUGGESTED FOR THEM.

6. PLEASE PROVIDE PRESS GUIDANCE ASAP AS CODEL VISIT HAS ALREADY SURFACED IN RIO PRESS.
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